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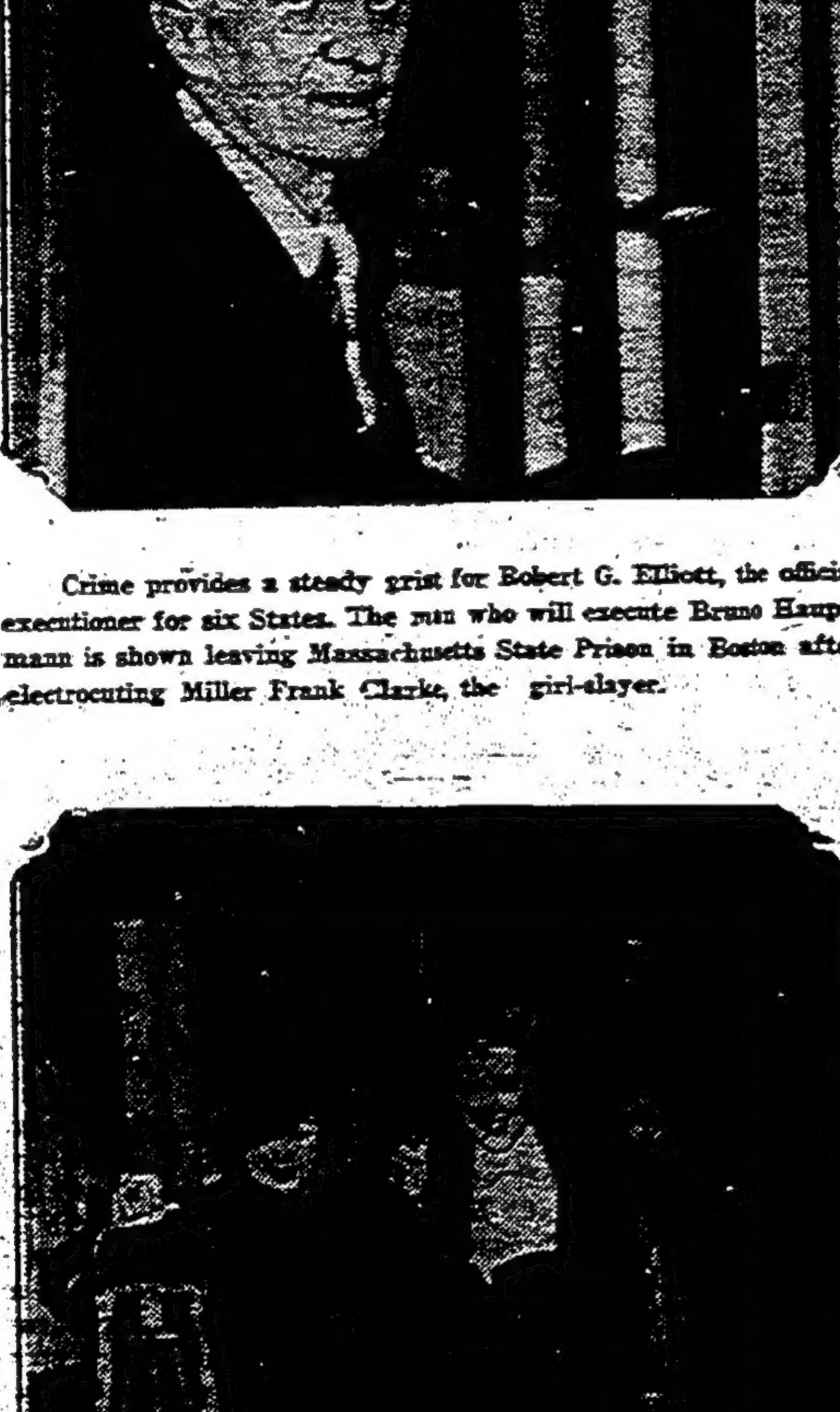
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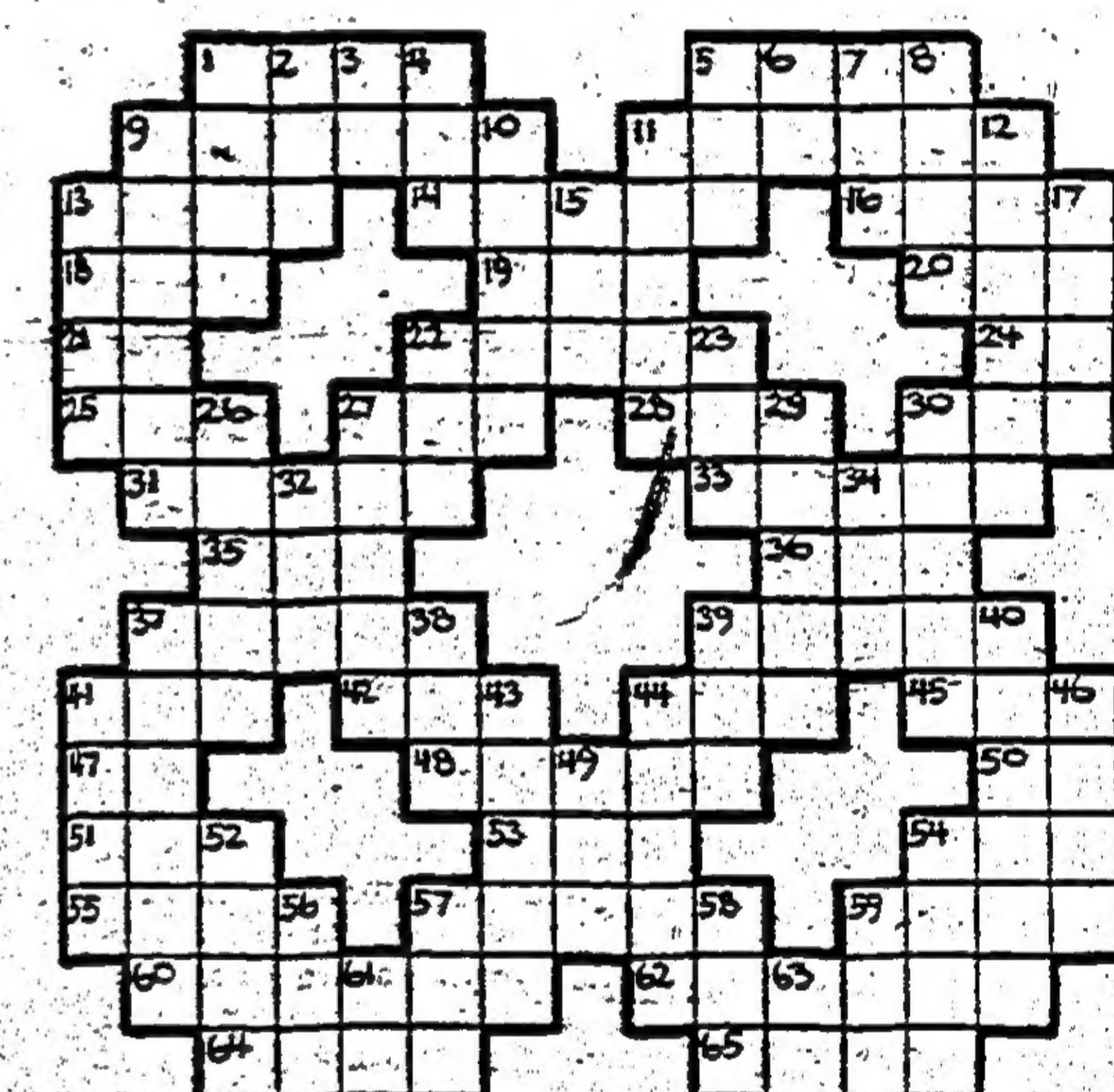


For the gay young Miss who likes a swankish effect Jane Wynter's three-piece ensemble should be just the thing. The fabric is a small check in beige and wine red wool. Four patch pockets, cut on the bias, trim the tailored jacket which is styled with erect sleeves.

Centre Top—Anticipating any eventuality that might arise from the serious throat illness of Reichsführer Adolf Hitler, last month the triumvirate formed by Gen. Hermann Göring (left), the Prussian Premier; Endolph Hess (upper), Herr Hitler's deputy leader of the Nazi Party; and Wilhelm Frick (right), the Home Minister, stood ready with the "key to take over the reins.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho-



HORIZONTAL  
1-Dwell usually upon  
5-Part of a ship (pl.)  
9-Retterate  
11-Council of state  
12-Allowed for temporary use  
14-Drill  
15-Harbor  
16-A letter  
18-Terminate  
20-Party  
21-Near by  
22-Graded  
24-Very  
25-Recent  
27-Speak  
28-Mop  
30-A wager  
31-Man's name  
33-Relieved  
35-River in Poland  
36-Nothing  
37-Fur-bearing animal  
38-Leases  
41-Open (poet)  
42-Expte  
44-Chum  
45-Purched  
47-Pronous

(Cont.)  
5-Measure of length  
22-Female deer  
23-Squander  
27-As  
28-Frame longer than wide  
30-Bands  
32-Large cask  
34-Wrong-doing  
37-Musical drama  
38-Clear of  
39-Suit  
40-Dress lining  
41-A. Mohammedan  
42-Made a mistake  
43-Pertaining to the  
44-Popular  
45-Digits  
46-Organ of the body  
52-Greek god of war  
54-Worry  
55-Consume  
56-Many  
58-Content  
59-Commod  
61-Prudent  
62-Musical note

VERTICAL  
1-Fowl  
2-Skiftn  
3-Musical note  
4-Small lump of  
5-Marsh  
6-Into  
7-Doze  
8-Cease  
9-Reclined  
10-Give pleasure to  
11-The internal parts  
12-Rubbed out  
13-Thin  
14-An insect

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

## Bringing Up Father

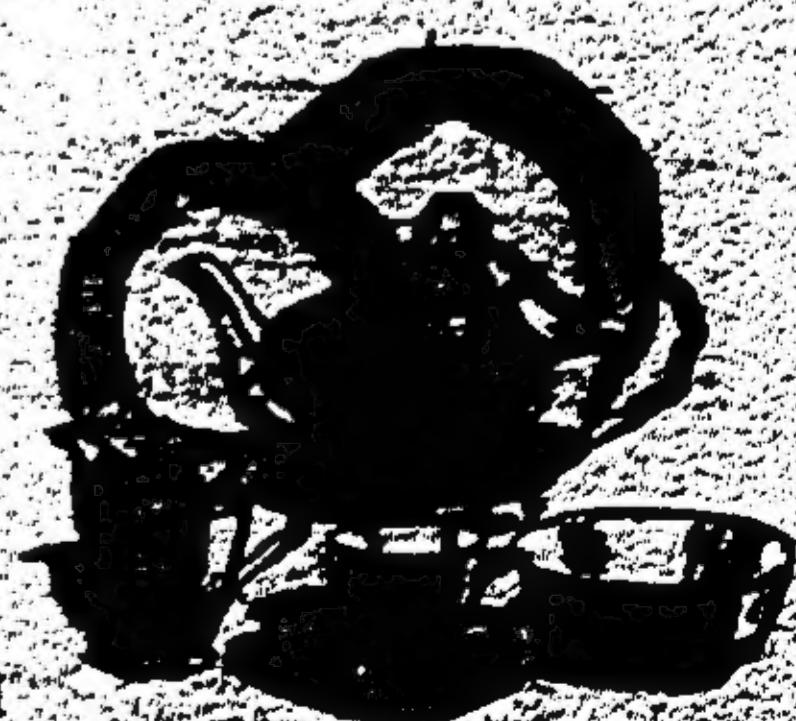


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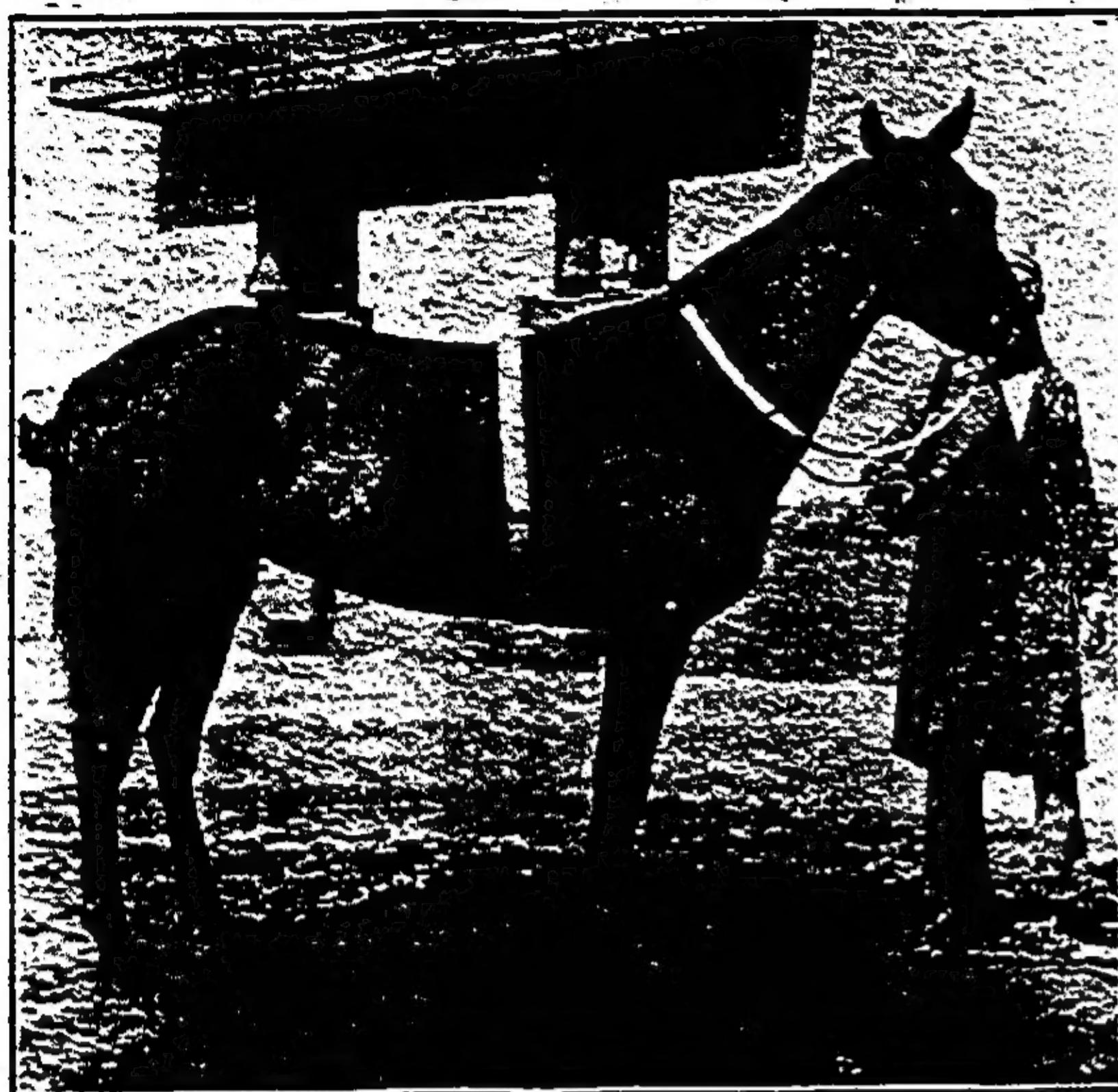




# Sporting Page



## STRATHROY & THE GORILLA FAOURED FOR TO-DAY'S "DOUBLE"



King's Sceptre. Mr. Dynasty's Derby entry. ("China Mail" photo).

### CLUB AND S. CHINA "A" FAOURED

#### INTERESTING JUNIOR SHIELD MATCHES

(By "Rover")

SPECULATION is rife to-day regarding the outcome of the Semi-Final Round matches in the Senior and Junior Shields, which provide the main interest in the local world of sport, excepting the annual Race Meeting.

The Club's clash with the Police at Causeway Bay is undoubtedly the biggest soccer attraction and the civilians are hot favourites for the Final Round, which they were prevented from reaching last year by the "custodians-of-the-law," who won a poor game by a solitary goal.

### MIXED DOUBLES BADMINTON

Another Clean Sweep For Recreio "A"

BUT JUNIORS BEATEN

Four matches in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League were decided last night, when Recreio "A" defeated Taikoo Recreation Club by 9 games to love at Quarry Bay; St. Andrew's Club beat Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 7 games to 2; St. John's Club beat the Kowloon Tong Club by 5 games to 4 and Fire Brigade Recreation Club beat Recreio juniors by 6 games to 3 at King's Park. Detailed results of the games were as follows:

Recreio "A" Clean Sweep

At Quarry Bay last night, Recreio "A" beat Taikoo Recreation Club by 9 games to nil; T. Staaten and Miss J. Summers (Taikoo) ... lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss O. Ribeiro ..... 7-21 lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss C. Silva ..... 7-21 lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva ..... 9-21 H. Routledge and Miss E. Summers (Taikoo) ... lost to Carvalho and Ribeiro ..... 5-21 lost to Remedios and Silva ..... 10-21 lost to Oliveira and Silva ..... 7-21 A. W. Norie and Miss I. Cunningham (Taikoo) ... lost to Carvalho and Ribeiro ..... 11-21 lost to Remedios and Silva ..... 10-21 lost to Oliveira and Silva ..... 7-21

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#### HIGHLIGHTS OF GAME

5.03—N. Zealanders kick off.  
5.03—Gilles nearly over in corner.  
5.08—Benson fails with penalty kick.  
5.09—Lewis scores and Tricklebank converts.  
5.13—Tricklebank fails with penalty kick.  
5.15—Gilles fails with dropped goal in play.  
5.20—Parsons scores and Tricklebank converts.  
5.22—New trousers for Parsons.  
5.35—Half time, N.Z. 10, H.K. 0.  
5.40—Butcher kicks off.  
5.42—Wild scores and Tricklebank converts.  
5.45—Grant scores, and Tricklebank converts.  
5.50—Tricklebank fails with penalty kick.  
5.56—Benson fails with penalty kick.  
6.08—Parsons scores, but Tricklebank fails to land goal.  
6.10—Wild scores and Tricklebank misses with kick.  
6.12—Full time, N.Z. 26, H.K. 0.

#### LEAGUE SOCCER MATCH POSTPONED

The following are the teams:—  
The Hong Kong English Forum:—  
1. Poon, M. S. Lee, N. Ma, Kwok,  
K. S. Cheng, T. Cheung, T. Young,  
A. Ho, K. Wong, C. C. Pang and P.  
Young (Capt.).  
The Canadian Chinese Club:—  
L. Yip (Capt.), W. H. Ing, G. Lee,  
Dr. G. Lee, G. Chow, S. Fong, E.  
Bunn, S. Bunn, J. Mack, H. Oon and  
R. Wu.

### GOLD SOVEREIGN AND CASSIUS TO CHALLENGE IN VALLEYS ZODIAC EXPECTED TO WIN SYDNEY MAIDENS FROM ELECTRON

#### LATEST NEWS OF DERBY CANDIDATES

(By "Rapier")

ARRANGEMENTS have now been completed for the 1936 Racing Carnival, which opens to-day at Happy Valley and which is undoubtedly the foremost sporting event in the Colony. All that is necessary to ensure the success of the Meeting is for the weather to be on its best behaviour.

The officials of the Hong Kong Jockey Club have spared no effort in looking to the comfort of visitors, and those who attend the meeting may be certain of spending a delightful few days in very pleasant surroundings. The track is in very fine condition, albeit a little on the soft side after the recent rains, and the improved starting gate will be appreciated by the jockeys.

It is, of course, obvious to all concerned that it is most difficult to predict with any degree of certainty which pony is likely to win. There are certain factors to be considered, the most important of which is the draw for position, especially in the sprint events. Racing fans may, however, rest assured that the views expressed in these columns have been arrived at as the result of constant attendance at the Valley during the morning gallops.

Before dealing with to-day's events I should like to review the prospects for the Derby, to be run on Monday.

The finish is likely to be fought out between five ponies—Royal Scot, Rosemary, Bear Claw, Honeymoon Eve, and King's Sceptre.

Royal Scot's consistency during training has made her favourite, and she is confidently expected to prove herself just a little too good for the others. Mr. Gilbert Harriman himself will take the pony out, and it will give his friends great satisfaction to see him win the Derby for the first time in his long racing career.

Rosemary was at one time reported to be capable of extending Liberty Bay. She is certainly a beautiful looking animal and will attract a lot of attention. There is, however, a rumour current that she pulled up slightly lame after her half-mile gallop last Wednesday morning, the last quarter of which was done in 28 secs! It is just possible that she may not be started, but in case she strips for this race, and with the experienced guidance of Mr. Encarnacao, she will be well up at the finish.

In Bear Claw, Mrs. Dunbar has a powerful pony which is considered by many to be well in the running for the chief honour. He will be ridden by Mr. Frot, and, as he has performed very well in training, I advise keeping him in mind.

Mr. Dunbar's Entries  
Mr. Dunbar will be represented by either Thunder Bay or Bootleg Bay, with Mr. Butler up, but neither is expected to extend the others.

The Dynasty stable will send out King's Sceptre under Mr. Marshall. This pony is definitely good, but it is questionable whether she is strong enough to last the Derby distance if the going is fast.

Honeymoon Eve has been trained to perfection, and after her grand gallop yesterday morning, when she finished the mile in a little over 2.05, she has enhanced her chances of winning.



#### Rapier's Selections

##### RACE 2

MOUNTAIN VIEW

HERIOT

Outsider—Celebration Time

##### RACE 3

HONEYMOON EVE

ROYAL CONSOFT

LAUGHING GIRL

Outsider—Forrest View

##### RACE 4

ZODIAC

ELECTRON

Outsider—Violet Queen

##### RACE 5

SOLDIER OF BRITAIN

OAK BAY

KING'S FANCY

Outsider—Macaroni

##### RACE 6

WILD CAT

THE HERO

STOPWATCH

Outsider—Rugby Star

##### RACE 7

STRATHROY

A GRAND TIME

THE DUNLIN

Outsider—Yo Ho

##### RACE 8

ROSEMARY (if started)

BEAR CLAW

KING'S SCEPTRE

Outsider—Royal Wedding Eve

##### RACE 9

THE GORILLA

GOLD SOVEREIGN

CASSIUS

##### RACE 10

COSSACK'S BEAUTY

SADKO

HETMAN

Outsider—Mayflower

##### RACE 11

VIXEN TOR

SHOOTING STAR

HALCYON

Outsider—Sandy Face

##### RACE 12

KINGS WARDEN

GLADIATOR

KING'S JUSTICE

Outsider—Bright View

DOUBLE—STRATHROY AND THE GORILLA

#### AUCKLAND 109 FOR 1 AGAINST M.C.C.

Auckland, to-day—Auckland scored 109 for 1 (Wallace 68 not out) against the M.C.C. yesterday, at which period stamps were drawn owing to heavy rain. Ben-

I believe that Mr. D. S. Li will choose Dawn Star as his mount. It must be noted that Dawn Star and Old Star arrived rather late in the training season, but it is pretty well known that they had been in constant training before coming down.

I understand that Mr. Black will be riding Royal Consort, and his duty will probably be keeping an eye on the ponies likely to run away. Other entries will probably include Laughing Girl (Mr. Deitz), Forrest View (Mr. Wong), Gold Jubilee (Mr. G. U. Rosa).

I don't think I shall be far wrong in nominating the following:

1. ROYAL SCOT.
2. ROSEMARY.
3. HONEYMOON EVE.
4. BEAR CLAW.

#### To-day's Events

As the Foochow Cup will have been decided by the time these notes appear I shall refrain from forecasting this race.

Race No. 2—Wong Nei Chong Stake (First Section)

With recollections of the big dividends paid in recent years, racing fans are puzzling out who is going to win. It must be borne in mind that in such a short race, the draw for position is of paramount importance, and consideration should be given to the jockeys who can get their mounts up in the barrier.

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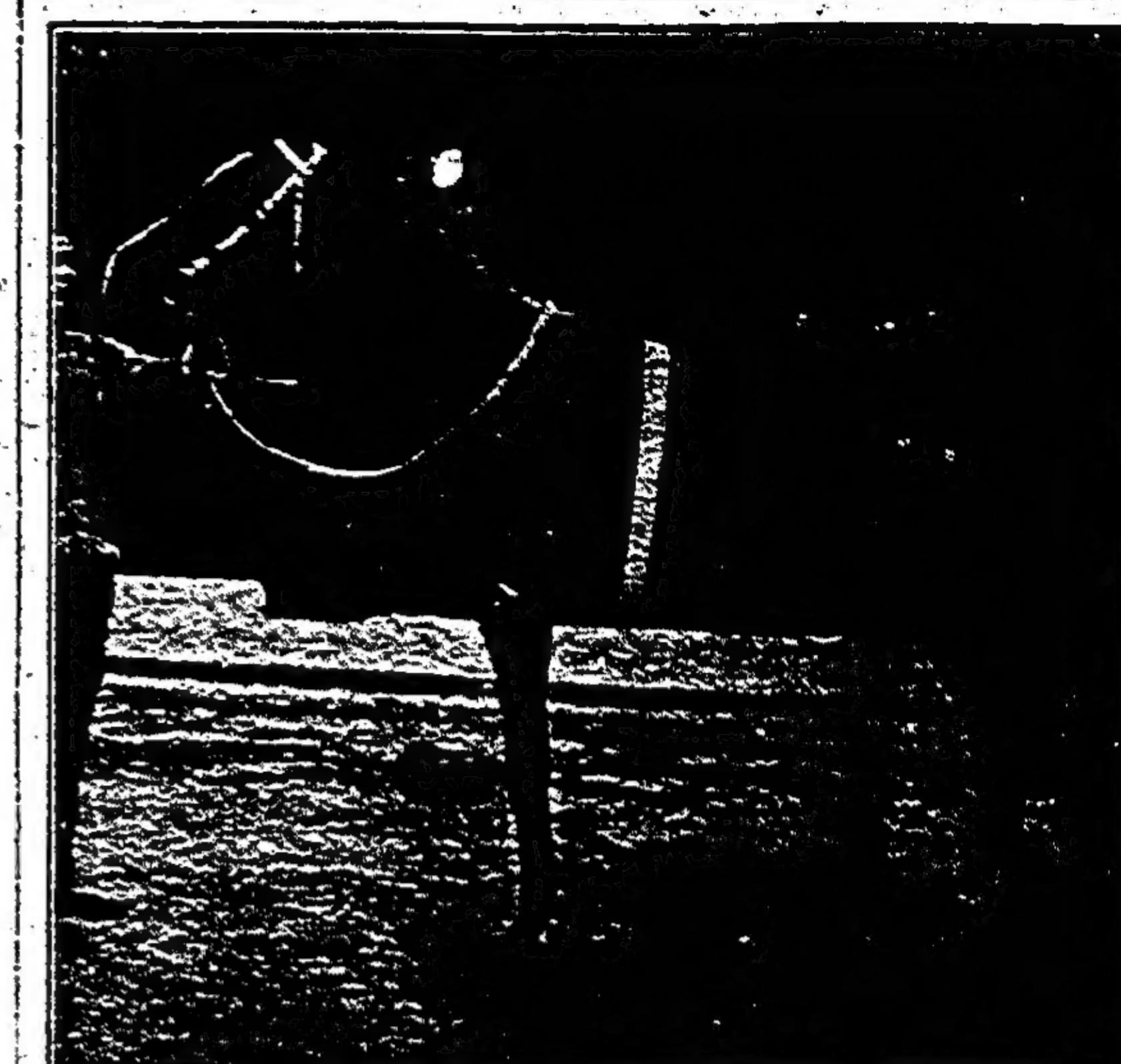
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win, Scotland look very much like being left with the "wooden spoon" this season.

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Rosemary, Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Derby entry. ("China Mail" photo).

### COLONY FIFTEEN ROUTED BY NEW ZEALANDERS

#### DISAPPOINTING RETURN GAME AT THE VALLEY

(By "Scrum-Half")

THE New Zealand Universities' touring Rugby fifteen beat Hong Kong by 29 points to 8 on January 16 last. Yesterday, after a disappointing encounter in a light drizzle, a weaker visiting side beat a considerably stronger Colony fifteen by four goals and two tries (26 points) to nil in their return encounter.

Packing only seven forwards and as a consequence not receiving their share of the ball from the tight scrums, the visitors ran circles round the Colony backs. When Burke did give them possession from the tight the ball was out to the unmarked winger in a flash, and it was only luck that Hong Kong was not beaten by a bigger margin. For several long periods the tourists were beaten for possession in the tight scrums, but during these spells their hustling wing forwards, completely bottled up the Colony attack, and they received scoring opportunities from clever play in the line-outs or haphazard passing by the local backs.

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### INTERNATIONAL RUGBY CLASSIC THIS AFTERNOON

#### SCOTLAND TO MEET IRELAND

#### IRISH SIDE MAKE ONE CHANGE

Scotland will play their third Rugby Union International encounter this afternoon when they entertain Ireland, who caused a major sensation last week by defeating England by 6 points to 3 at Murrayfield.

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### FRIENDLY HOCKEY ENCOUNTER

#### Wanderers To Meet Punjabis

Owing to the annual race meeting, which takes precedence over all other sports, there is practically no hockey of any description this afternoon except the friendly fixture between the newly formed Wanderers eleven and the Punjab Regiment, which takes place on the Marine ground at 4 p.m.

The Wanderers will meet Macao tomorrow in their first fixture against the Portuguese team, and much is expected of them.

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(London), I. S. Drake (Auckland), S. G. Gadd (Victoria), A. E. Chester (Wellington), and T. O. Stac (Canterbury).

Colony XV.—Simp. (Lancs), Benson (Lancs), Jim (Army), L. H



MR 1940—Merry England	Dixon Organ
MR 1926—One Night In China Town	Billy Cotton
On Treasure Island	
MR 1923—That Silver Haired Daddy	Hill Billies
The Dying Cowboy.	
MR 1927—My Mother's Birthday Music	Moonlight Revellers
MR 1929—I'm Living In A Great Big Way	Six Swingers
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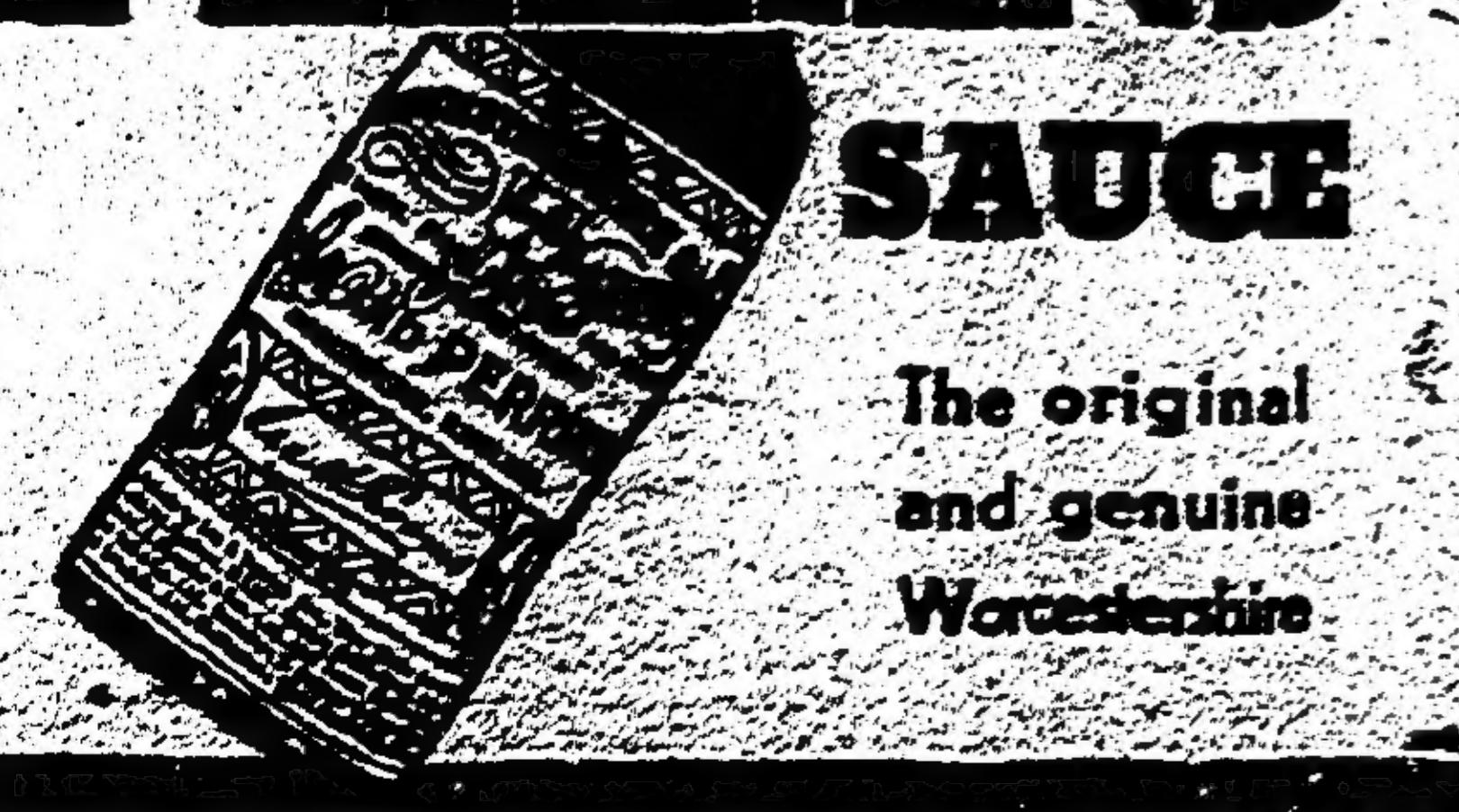
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## INDIANS SHOULD WIN JUNIOR CRICKET TITLE

### CRICKET NEWS FROM NEAR AND FAR

#### PROTEST AGAINST CHANGE

A PROTEST against a recent suggestion that a Test match should be taken away from Nottingham or Leeds, and played at Lord's, was made at the annual meeting of the Notts County Club recently.

Mr. Douglas McCraith, a member of the Notts Committee, said no proposal had yet come before the Board of Control, but there were rumours which had founded.

"The reason for this step is that a match at Lord's would be likely to show more profit than one in the provinces. A more inadequate reason it would be difficult to imagine," said Mr. McCraith.

"The profit made out of Test matches during the Australian tour of 1934 was \$45,412. This figure would have startled a previous generation, but is not to-day considered sufficient by some people who are prepared to break with tradition, and to deprive the followers of cricket in the Midlands, or the North, of a chance of seeing a Test match in order to increase them."

"Since the War the Nottinghamshire club has spent £26,700 upon permanent improvements which are superfluous for County names."

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#### FUNERAL PACE

NEW South Wales easily passed South Australia's first innings total when play was continued in the Sheffield Shield match at Sydney.

Reg. Robinson played another brilliant innings for 96 and helped up some dreary play-by scoring at almost a run a minute after he reached his half century, after which he slowed down and his next 40 took 105 minutes.

Batsmen found run-getting difficult, chiefly because of the clever way in which Bradman placed his field and progressed at such a funeral pace that Fallowfield took nearly three hours to complete his

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At King's Park last night, Fire Brigade Recreation Club beat Recreio "B" by 6 games to 3—

H. Barres and Miss M. Eberro

(Recreio "B")—lost to E. L. Shute and Mrs. Shute ..... 19-21

lost to J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths ..... 9-21

beat A. L. Fisher and Mrs. Kirkwood ..... 21-13

M. Silva and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio "B")—lost to Shute and Shute ..... 9-21

lost to Anderson and Griffiths ..... 15-21

beat Fisher and Kirkwood ..... 21-15

E. de Souza and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio "B")—lost to Shute and Shute ..... 15-21

lost to Anderson and Griffiths ..... 10-21

beat Fisher and Kirkwood ..... 21-12

St. John's Win

The following is Rover's forecast:

#### TO-DAY

SENIOR SHIELD

v Police (Conway Bay, 4:15 p.m.)

S. CHINA "A" v South China "B" (Club, 4:15 p.m.)

JUNIOR SHIELD

EAST LANC. v Eastern (Conway Bay, 2:30 p.m.)

ENGINEERS v Liga Portuguesa (Cmbs, 2:30 p.m.)

FIRST DIVISION

Athletic v Stonewallers (Caroline Hill, 4:15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon v NAVY (Kowloon, 2:15 p.m.)

Radio v UNIVERSITY (Prince Edward Rd, 4:15 p.m.)

R.A.S.C. v E.A.C.

South China v RAOC (Caroline Hill, 2:45 p.m.)

Club v ATHLETIC (Sookimpoo, 2:45 p.m.)

RIFLES v Recreio (Sookimpoo, 4:15 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

Air Force v Engineers (Railway, 4:15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

MEDICALS v St. Joseph's (Cathay Road, 2:45 p.m.)

FUSILIERS v Chinese Police (Prince Edward Rd, 4:15 p.m.)

TU-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION

S. CHINA "A" v St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill, 4:15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

R.A.S.C. v University (Caroline Hill, 2:45 p.m.)

Engineers v EASTERN (Sookimpoo, 4:15 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

Engineers v EAST (Sookimpoo, 2:45 p.m.)

EUROPEAN POLICE v Railway (Kowloon, 4:15 p.m.)

League Table To Date

Games P.W L.D.F.P.A.Pts

C. R. C. 10 9 1 67 22 18

Fire Brigade 11 9 2 25 24 18

Recreio "A" 8 7 1 60 12 14

Recreio "B" 10 6 4 48 31 12

St. John's 12 6 5 52 56 12

S. CHINA "A" 9 4 5 25 45 4

South China 10 2 2 25 25 4

RAOC 10 2 2 21 69 7

Police 10 0 10 15 75 4

St. John's 10 0 10 15 75 4



#### THE NEXT TESTS

ALTHOUGH the MCC tour of Australia for 1936/37 is still a long way ahead, the itinerary has already been arranged.

The English team will arrive at Fremantle on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

The official programme has now been released by the secretary of the Board of Control, Mr. W. H. Jeans as follows:

Oct. 13-14: Combined team at Perth, en route to Adelaide.

Oct. 16-19: Western Australia, at Perth.

Oct. 22-24: Combined team at Perth, en route to Adelaide.

Oct. 26-28: South Australia, at Adelaide.

Nov. 5-10: Victoria, at Melbourne.

Nov. 13-17: New South Wales, at Sydney.

Nov. 20-24: Australian Eleven, at Sydney.

Nov. 27-Dec. 1: Queensland, at Brisbane.

Dec. 4-9: FIRST TEST MATCH, at Brisbane.

Dec. 12-14: Queensland country team, at Ipswich.

Dec. 18-23: SECOND TEST MATCH, at Sydney.

Dec. 26-28: New South Wales country team, at Newcastle.

Jan. 1-6: THIRD TEST MATCH, at Melbourne.

Jan. 8-11: Combined team at Hobart.

Jan. 13-18: Tasmania, at Launceston.

Jan. 22-26: South Australia, at Adelaide.

Jan. 29-Feb. 3: FOURTH TEST MATCH, at Adelaide.

Feb. 6-9: Geelong, at Geelong.

Feb. 10-11: New South Wales, at Sydney.

Feb. 13-17: Fifth TEST MATCH, at Melbourne.

Feb. 19-23: Victoria, at Melbourne.

Mar. 5-6: Victorian country team, at Benalla.

THE HONG FOURTH TESTS

A BRACE of first round pairs

received a walk-over in the Hong competition at Kowloon.

H.K. and Whampoa Dock went the easy way by courtesy of the Police

owing to the latter having lost half

their team, and the Dairy Farm

proceeded to the next round as R.

Henderson of the Naval Yard will

be on the high seas bound for

England before the concluding

stages have been reached.

The Godown Coy. arrived on the

sixth tee with a hefty deficit of

four holes and it looked as though

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## The Races

Our times nowadays are far removed from those spacious days when "The Races," in certain out East, meant a total stoppage of all ordinary business and a holiday for the staffs of all the commercial houses. True, the banks still shut their lordly portals on racing days; and it is a solemn thought that Cousin Sadie from Baltimore, passing through on a President liner, may have some difficulty in securing funds against a letter of credit unless she happens to do so before 12 noon. But a little thing like that need not worry us unduly. And of course, nowadays there is the depression. One can hardly close the office for the afternoon and call it a day when one's horrid competitors are out scouting after the little business there is to be done with their usual vigour; so that somebody must be left in charge, even if it is only the youngest junior assistant or the office boy.

But there is still scope for that light-hearted, carefree holiday mood which the advent of the "The Races" still seems to inspire in the most sober tai-pao breast. It is common knowledge that the head of the firm has been known to give a lingering glance at his elegant morning coat and top-hat, wishing wistfully that custom out here might allow him to array himself in all that lavish finery, which generally rests in the drying-room or among moth-balls, for race meetings. And there is a great deal to be said in its favour. Why should the lordly be debarred, by a senseless custom, from emulating his better half and arraying himself in all his finery for "The Races"? If Madame can seize upon the occasion—and, alas, she always does—to cajole a new party frock out of the wage-earner, why should not that poor misguided man also bask in unusual finery? Why not the lavender or fawn-like tie, the buff waistcoat, the grey striped trousers and the morning coat—to say nothing of those dazzling appendages (if they can be called that), the glossy top hat, grey spats, lemon-coloured gloves and silver-headed cane? Why not, indeed? We have all the other appurtenances here: green lawns, beautiful beds of flowers, bandmen in the liveliest scarlet playing selections from "The Mikado"—and, of course, the horses. We also have the cutest little jockeys in their shiny top-boots, and this year no less than seven from Shanghai. We have a beautiful racecourse set in a cup of the greenest wooded hills you ever saw. It is time the mere male asserted himself a little more in these matters. "The Races" imply the holiday spirit; all that is missing is the holiday garb, on the part of the males. Won't somebody give the lead?

One case each of enteric fever and encephalitis fever were reported to the local Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Thursday.

## FAMOUS FILM STAR ARRIVES

FIRST VISIT TO CHINA  
OF ANNIE MAY WONG.

A THRILLING EMOTIONAL EXPERIENCE

The U.S. President Grant yesterday brought to Hong Kong the famous Hollywood film-star, Annie May Wong, who was born in America of Cantonese parents and who is making her first visit to China. She was met on arrival by her sister, who will be remembered by many for her sympathetic interpretation of the leading feminine in "Esquimo."

Miss Wong was the target for a battery of cameras on arrival, when she posed on deck with her sister and two charming local film-stars, after which she went on board the Hong Kong Hotel lunch and crossed the harbour to the Hotel, where she is at present staying. Later she met her father, now 76 years of age, and dined in his company.

To a representative of the China Mail Miss Wong said that it was a thrilling emotional experience to her to be visiting at last the land of her forefathers. She had come at the invitation of the Nanking Government, to study Chinese life and customs, eventually to take back her knowledge to Hollywood, where she could correct so much that was false and fantastic in American-made films dealing with Chinese matters. She intended to stay in China for at least a year and did not expect to return to Hollywood before the Autumn of next year.

## BORN IN LOS ANGELES

Born in Los Angeles' Chinatown, Miss Anna May Wong's real name is Wong Lin-tsoong, which in English means "Frosted Willow".

When 14 years old she was very much in demand by film producers for "Oriental" parts. Her first real chance came when she secured a role with Lon Chaney in "Bits Of Life", but it was as the slave girl in "The Thief Of Bagdad" that she came into the lime-light. Her second successful appearance was in "Shanghai Express", and she has since been given leading roles in many American pictures.

Miss Wong has also appeared on the stage in London and acted in many British films, including "Piccadilly" and "Flame Of Love".

EXPLANATION OF  
TO-DAY'S  
CARTOON

## Incorporated Dog

BY an order of the Superior Court of Dougherty County, Georgia, dated at Albany, June 8, 1934, J. A. Davis' wire-haired terrier was officially incorporated. A petition for the charter was published in the official gazette of the county during the month of May and petition was presented and heard before a judge, who signed the order making Adrian's Peg "a body politic under the name of Adrian's Peg, Inc."

## Astounding Family Of Twins

PRESIDENTING themselves as Mexico's most prolific parents, Spencer and Sonora Leon Chavarria appeared in Tuxtla Gutierrez, Mexico, with their astounding family. In forty years, Senor Chavarria bore 37 children by one husband—23 boys and 14 girls. There were 18 pairs of twins.

FALSE PRETENCES  
CHARGEAccused In Court On  
Stretcher

Stated to have swallowed ring handle, spoon, a knife and a ring while on remand in prison, George Brooks, aged 28, salesman, of no fixed abode, was carried into Bow street court on a stretcher. He was charged on remand with obtaining a suit and an overcoat by false pretences.

A detective said Brooks had been brought to court because he refused an operation. Brooks was remanded.

Here  
There  
and  
Everywhere

## DENKIN TO VISIT LONDON

Recently General Denkin, the former hope of the White Russians in their struggle against the Bolsheviks, came from the obscurity of his Brussels home to lecture to his compatriots in London on "Patriotism from the Viewpoint of Soviet Actualities and Emigrant Psychology."

The General, who is now 70, has taken little part in public affairs for some years, but, in spite of poverty and exile, he has never lost his dignity.

In the civil war of 1919, when he was being backed, or rather half-backed, by the British Government, he once came very near to success.

Ruggedly honest and totally lacking in political subtlety, he blamed the English Government which had raised his hopes without fulfilling them, for his failure. He sent back to the British War Office the British decorations, including the K.C.M.G., which he had been given for his war services.

## Your Daily Smile!

## DIDN'T TAKE IT

Two Hebrews, Cohen and Jacobs, were staying at a hotel. Cohen — "Say, Jacobs, did you take a bath last night?" Jacobs — "Vy, Cohen, was one of dem missing?"

## THE TROUBLE

"Mrs. Brown has had an earache ever since moving into those new flats."

"Oh, I guess the keyholes are too draughty for her."

## WOULDN'T YOU?

Mike — "They say that whiskey has killed more men than bullets."

Bill — "Well, I'd sooner be full of whiskey than bullets, wouldn't you?"

## WORKING HARD

"How do you think a warmer climate would suit me, doctor?"

"Heaven man! That's what I'm trying to save you from!"

## NO LUCK

Agent — "But, mumm, it's a shame on let your husband's insurance lapse."

Lady — (over shoulder) — "I'll not pay another cent. I've paid regular for ten years an I've had no luck yet."

## FLY AWAY

"Mother dear, what is an angel?"

"My darling, it is a little girl with wings, who flies away up in the first thing to-morrow."

## NEW ARCHITECTURE DEFENDED

## 1935 WAS A VINTAGE YEAR AT HOME

## ELEGANT NEW EDIFICES DISCLOSE MODERN SPIRIT IN BUILDING

(By Prof. C. H. Reilly)

For those who believe in the more pompous Georgian, though the Bank of England is surrounded by a great Roman wall with architectural details to a much larger scale, the immense new block rising within it (to which a big addition has been made this year) has the small detail Sir Christopher Wren used in the reign of the Merry Monarch.

In spite of the invention of plate glass and the desirability of good light in city offices, it has the heavy sash-bars and small panes he gave to his windows in 1700. The Midland Bank has this year completed the tallest office building in England, a great hollow tower on an island site in Manchester. But its windows, too, are similarly small-paned, and it is crowned with a charming colonnaded pavilion which might have graced the gardens of Hampton Court.

## Young Talent

The really modern buildings, frankly using modern materials to get the best out of them, are generally the work of the younger school of architects, and for them 1935 has been a bumper year.

The two most striking examples are a great ferro-concrete block of flats on the front at Brighton and the new Beckhill Pavilion recently opened.

Both have a cleanliness and elegance new to us after the ornate buildings in brick and stone to which we have become accustomed. The walls are thin like cardboard, but insulated to keep in the heat, and like cardboard on edge, they are stiff to bridge over wide openings.

In the Brighton building, which is by a young Canadian architect named Wells Coates, the glass of the windows stretches from cross wall to cross wall, so that from inside the rooms seem to embrace a vast area of sea and sky.

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## "BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley.



# SAFER TRAVEL ENVISAGED FOR ALL AIRCRAFT

## RACING

(Continued from Page 4)

Race No. 3.—Maiden Stakes. In this race confined to Griffins of the current season over six furlongs, Forrest View (Mr. Wong), Laughing Girl (Mr. Deitz) Royal Consort (Mr. Harriman) and Honeymoon Eve (Mr. Needa) will be the main contenders. These are all fast ponies, but I rather fancy Honeymoon Eve.

Mr. Frost will probably take out Boolat Bay. She is quite good, but more suitable over a longer distance. Mr. Encarnacion will ride Donovan, but this pony can be left alone.

Race No. 4.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.

This race over six furlongs will provide plenty of thrills and a very close finish. If the track is fast, we may see the record smashed by at least two seconds, as practically all the best flyers are in this event.

Nothing reliable is known about Able Warrior (Mr. D. S. Li), but those who are prepared to take a gamble might find a bet each way profitable. Electron (Mr. Frost) will set the pace over the first half mile, but her last quarter finish may be the cause of her downfall.

Holiday Eve (Mr. Needa) is more suitable for a longer race, but watch out, as she is capable of winning. Violet Queen (Mr. Y. T. Fung) is very speedy, but is inclined to bore out.

Zodiac (Mr. Pih) is the best bet. She is very fast, and I look to her to win this race.

Race No. 5.—The China Stakes. In this sprint, event we have three well tried and fast ponies in King's Fancy (Mr. Marshall), Oak Bay (Mr. Frost) and Soldier of Britain (Mr. D. S. Li). I don't think we need look further than these to fill the three positions.

Soldier of Britain with Mr. Deitz up, had a win against Oak Bay (Mr. Frost) over the same distance last year, and I think she will do it again. Oak Bay has not been seen very often on the track, but he is certainly very fit. It must, however, be remembered that Oak Bay holds the record over five furlongs for China ponies.

Mr. Needa will probably take out Macaroni, but I am afraid the pace will be too fast for him. Harvest View may also start with Mr. Wong up.

Race No. 6.—Wong Nei Chong Stakes (Second Section)

I had expected to see Wild Cat reserved for the Valley Stakes. With Mr. Wong up, I cannot see any other pony to touch her. Lancashire Loom (Mr. Harriman) is good, and so is Ocean View (Mr. Liang).

Rugby Star (Mr. D. S. Li) is liable to cause an upset here, and Stopwatch (Mr. Black), although small, has a distinct chance.

Mr. Frost will pilot The Hero, and should put up a good fight.

Race No. 7.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes (Second Section)

The best ponies in this section are Strathroy (Mr. Black), A Grand Time (Mr. Pote-Hunt), The Dunlin (Mr. Frost) and Yo Ho (Mr. Marshall), and I strongly fancy Strathroy. He is capable of breaking the record.

A Grand Time will be very near at the finish, and The Dunlin should fill a place.

The distance may be too short for Yo Ho, but keep him in mind for a longer race. Ranger is improving, and he will probably be worth watching later.

Race No. 8.—The Trial Plate.

This race will serve as pointer to the Ely Derby winner. I understand that Mr. Harriman will reserve Royal Scot for the main event on Monday, in which event, providing Rosemary is not starting, Bear Claw (Mr. Frost) ought to win.

King's Sceptre (Mr. Marshall) will issue a strong challenge, and should fill second place. Royal Wedding Eve (Mr. Needa) may not be strong enough to give much opposition.

Race No. 9.—The Valley Stakes.

A careful study of the training for the past two months suggests that The Gorilla (Mr. Frost) ought to win, but the draw for positions is an important factor.

Gold Sovereign (Mr. G. U. de Rosa) is definitely a strong contender for a win in this race, but I am inclined to believe that his



Above is seen Germany's largest plane, a Lufthansa machine, recently ceremoniously christened in Berlin the "Field Marshal von Hindenburg."

## HUGE AIR LINERS AS BOMBERS

### GERMANY'S LATEST "CONVERTIBLE"

Germany's new high-speed medium-weight air liner, the Heinkel 111, shown publicly for the first time a few weeks ago, has certain features evidently designed to facilitate conversion to military purposes. There is room in the nose of the fuselage for a gunner's cockpit, and no doubt it has been designed with this in view.

Like the Heinkel 70, a smaller machine, it has performance capabilities far above those required in a commercial machine.

#### ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE

Nearly 200 air pilots are to be trained to command the fleet of flying boats which are being prepared for the Atlantic service.

These men, nearly four times the number of captains and first officers at present employed on the Empire air routes, will be trained at the Air University at Hamble, Southampton, during the next four years.

It will be almost two years before regular passenger services will begin over the Atlantic, and not until 1938 can we look forward to regular daily "sailings" on a large scale.

The new Heinkel is fitted with two engines of 660 h.p., and it is no secret that these are to be replaced by two of 880 h.p., which, for the conveyance of 10 passengers at a cruising speed of some 240 miles an hour, makes it a costly proposition.

#### British "Convertibles"

In performance it does not appear to be quite so good as a new British twin-engined medium bomber now on order. Although performance figures are not divulged, it is certain that the British machine is quite as fast, and will have a greater range than the Heinkel. It will do this on two engines, each of 430 h.p.

This British machine was first designed and built as a civil aeroplane. The design, not the machine itself, has been adapted.

Convertibility of commercial aeroplanes to bombers is not a new idea, but unless the design is planned for this object it will not be possible to convert in a hurry.

Three British military biplanes, just delivered to the Spanish Government, are an adaptation of the well-known D.H. "Dragon Rapide" air liner. In this case important structural alterations were involved to provide machine gun stations and complete bombing equipment.

British air liners hitherto have not been designed for rapid conversion to military uses. Economy in cost and maintenance, rather than great speed and climbing power, have been the main considerations. Speaking generally, their chief use in war time would be work behind the lines.

Race No. 10.—The Old Course Plate.

Over a mile and a quarter, I think Cossack's Beauty (Mr. Wong) ought to win.

Mr. D. S. Li will take out Sadko. This pony is very fit at the moment, and if she can keep within striking distance over the first mile, her last quarter rush may be too fast for the others.

Hetzman with Mr. Marshall up, may find the distance a little too long. Monoplane (Mr. Fung) is in fine condition just now, and may possibly fill third place. Mr. Needa has been riding Mayflower in the morning training, and may cause an upset.

Race No. 11.—The Bendigo Stakes.

On form, Vixen Tor (Mr. Proulx) should be the favourite.

but a strong challenge will be forthcoming from both Shooting Star (Mr. D. S. Li) and Halcyon (Mr. Frost).

The holder of the mile record for Australian ponies, Sancy Face (Mr. Pih) is also in this race.

She seems to be in good trim.

Derby Day (Mr. Deitz) will probably set the pace over the first half mile, but she is not capable of a strong finish over this distance.

Race No. 12.—The New Stables Plate.

King's Warden, with Mr. Marshall up, is the likely winner over this medium distance. Next comes Gladitor (Mr. Needa), but let it be remembered that these two ponies clashed once before over a mile, and Gladitor, with Mr. Frost up, won. King's Justice (Mr. Harriman) is capable of extending the others, and will probably fill the third place, though Bright View (Mr. Wong) will be in the running.

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#### SUGGESTED CABLE AND AIRWAYS LINKS FOR TRAVEL

(By A Special Aviation Correspondent)  
London.

I sat in a London club recently talking with a tall, upright, white-haired man whose ideas may revolutionise transoceanic air travel and communication. He was Mr. F. G. Creed, the inventor (among other things) of the Creed printing telegraphic systems and the teleprinter, which enable a typewriter operated in London to reproduce typescript, say, in Manchester.

Mr. Creed's latest invention, on which he began work as far back as 1918, is designed to create cheaper and safer ocean airways by means of floating landing stages, and smaller floating wireless beacons, both of which would incorporate cable relay stations.

The Creed seadrome is a secret. It cannot be listened in simplified design which it is claimed can be constructed and anchored in position at an estimated cost of from £300,000 to £500,000. Each seadrome would provide an aeroplane runway 1,500 feet long and 200 feet wide, with a central platform 500 feet across.

Each would have accommodation for passengers and crews, a meteorological station, storage of aircraft and fuel, and for repair shops; and if necessary crude oil refuelling supplies for ships.

The accommodation floors and landing platform, supported high above the water by floats, are designed to remain steady even in the wildest storms, when it is claimed the largest waves would pass harmlessly beneath.

Tolls And Fuel

The inventor considers it desirable to make seadrome provision for all types of aircraft capable of flying the overwater distance between them safely, thus encouraging their use by private as well as commercial and mail planes; and so providing for an increase in revenue from tolls, sale of fuel, and other services.

With his knowledge of the cable services, Mr. Creed holds that seadromes should follow the direct tracks of the transocean submarine cables.

Where it is not desired to make a landing but only to have wireless and visual guidance for aeroplanes, a much smaller anchored floating station could be provided at a tenth of the cost of a seadrome.

Such a station would serve as a submarine cable repeater station, carry a powerful beacon light and wireless equipment for guiding aircraft, and accommodate comfortably a staff of ten.

Speedier Cables

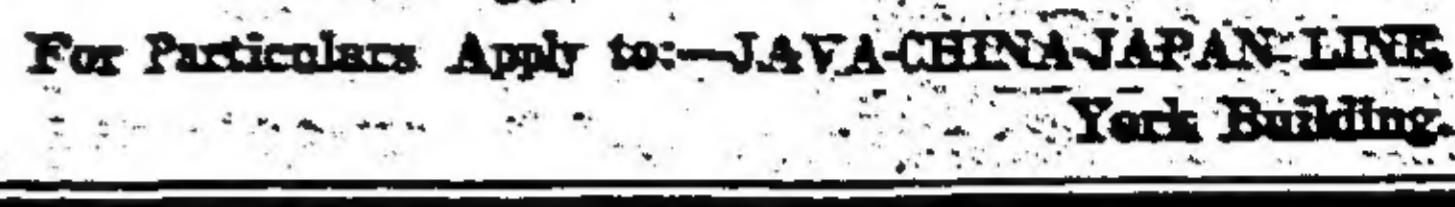
The important feature of this scheme is the link up with cables. Even in these days of wireless communication, the submarine cable claims certain definite advantages; once laid, it is cheaper to operate than wireless, and it possesses the great advantage of

completely private and cheaper telephonic communication by submarine cable could be extended to Canada, the United States, Gibraltar, Egypt, India, and eventually to Australia, and New Zealand.

To join up the whole Empire by the Creed method would require an expenditure of from £15,000,000 to £20,000,000, an expenditure which would increase employment in the engineering and many other industries.

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## AERIAL "STORES SHIPS" NOW USED

### KEEPING UNITS SELF-CONTAINED

The use of big aircraft as "stores ships" to an air formation on the move or on active service is a new method devised for keeping a unit self-contained.

It has increased the effective flying radius.

In Arabia, for instance, orgies from the scene of active operations enabled a squadron to remain away on active service for many months.

All small aircraft cruising in formation now make use of an air transport vessel in this way.

A squadron of Hawker Hart, Blenheim, India, to Singapore to transport machines took all the space needed to make the flight comfortable.

Bomber transport machines produced by Handley-Page, Bristol, and Armstrong Whitworth last year increased speeds to help them keep up with the high-speed fighters.

The Victoria Valentia is the transport unit in an earlier form. It could fly 500 miles from Kafol during the Afghan Civil War of 1928-29. These machines can carry 22 fully armed infantrymen.





Miss Anna May Wong, (above), the famous film star, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday by the a.s. President Grant.



By A. E. L.

**T**HE identification of watermarks without damage to the stamp under investigation is always a matter of concern to the serious stamp collector. From time to time philatelic publications note the tendency of inks used in the printing of a stamp to "bleed" when treated with benzine in the process of identifying the watermark. An attempt to find acceptable substitutes for benzine would, from this standpoint, seem a profitable line of experimentation.

Watermarking a paper is usually accomplished by rendering portions more transparent or more opaque. Agents adapted to rendering these marks more distinguishable would therefore serve as aids in the identification of the watermark on a stamp.

Such an agent should have the following properties:

1. It should have a definite selectivity in its absorption by the watermarked or the unwatermarked portion of the stamp.

2. It should be a colourless liquid to avoid colouring the stamp used in it.

#### High Volatility

3. It should have a high volatility in order to assure rapid drying of the stamp after treatment.

4. It should be relatively inexpensive and readily available through the retail trade, such as drug stores or paint dealers.

5. It should leave no residue after evaporation.

6. It should not effect appreciably the gum on the stamp.

7. It should not have a solvent effect on the ink of the stamp nor the cancellation.

8. It should, preferably be non-inflammable and non-toxic.

A survey of liquids which might meet most of these requirements yielded the following: benzine, 180 proof alcohol, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, acetone, benzol, camphor disulphide, ethyl acetate, amyl acetate and ether.

#### British Issues

THE public notice announcing the issue of the first British 4d. stamp was dated July 24, 1855, and the stamp was issued on the 31st of that month. It was rendered necessary by the reduction in the rate of postage to France from 10d. to 4d. and therefore replaced the 10d. embossed stamp.

The design simple as it was, achieved both beauty and dignity, in fact to the unprejudiced mind, both this and the first 6d. and 1s. regarded purely as designs, may well appear to be superior to the 1d. and 2d. of the time engraved stamp, the rectangular character of the designs of the latter giving them a stiffness that is absent from the earliest surface-printed stamp.

There were two main types of paper used for the early 4d. stamps and three different watermarks have to be taken into consideration, the Small, Medium and Large Gar-

## DR. C. T. WANG IN HONG KONG

### Rotary Dinner-Party At H.K. Hotel

#### VISIT TO SOUTH ENTIRELY NON-POLITICAL

Dr. C. T. Wang, State Councillor of the National Government and member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday by the a.s. President Grant, and is now staying at the Hong Kong Hotel. He was met on the ship's arrival by Professor Forster of the University of Hong Kong, President of the local Rotary Club, and other personal friends.

In an interview with members of the press, Dr. Wang said that his programme had been completely upset by his failure to reach Canton by air on Monday last, when the plane was compelled to turn back owing to bad weather. He hoped to have visited Canton before coming on to Hong Kong to address the Rotary Club on Tuesday, but now he would stay in Hong Kong over the weekend, leaving probably on Monday morning for Canton, where he would address the Rotary Club of Canton, and return here on Tuesday, when he would go on to Swatow if there were a steamer available.

#### Rotarian, Not Political

Dr. Wang said that his visit was entirely Rotarian, he being Governor of the 31st District of Rotary, which embraces China, Hong Kong and the Philippines. His visit had nothing to do with that of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross. Asked if there was any truth in the suggestion that he had been sent to try to persuade Mr. Hu Han-min to go to Nanking, Dr. Wang said that he could state positively that he was on no official mission, though he personally hoped that Mr. Hu would accept the invitation of the Nanjing Government.

#### Olympic Athletes

Dr. Wang, who is Chairman of Committee of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation stated that the Chinese contingent of athletes for the coming Olympic games, numbering 158 in all, would leave Shanghai on a German ship about the middle of June.

Dr. Wang was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong, which was held at 8 o'clock last night at the Hong Kong Hotel. Professor Forster presiding.

#### Written By Washington

Its author was George Washington, and it was written as a kind of introduction for the aviator to the citizens of the neighbourhood in which he happened to land. Col. Charles A. Lindbergh also carried a letter of identification from prominent citizens of St. Louis, when he flew to Paris.

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Estonia.—After much discussion the stamps that had been prepared with a portrait of President Paets were rejected on the ground of poor execution. New plates have been ordered, but the printings from them will not be ready for

## Government Appointments

The following appointments, etc., are notified in the Government Gazette:—

Mr. Douglas James Valentine, M.C., M.B., B.S. (Lond.), D.P.H., D.T.M. & H., to act as Deputy Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, with effect from February 22;

Mr. Thomas Richmond Rowell, B.Sc., to act as Inspector of English Schools, vice Mr. James Ralston, M.A., on leave, with effect from February 22;

Mr. J. L. Tetley, B.A., A.I.C., and Mr. A. Kurrik to be Analysts for the purposes of the Adulterated Food and Drugs Ordinance (Ordinance No. 8 of 1935);

The person for the time being executing the duties of Medical Officer in charge of Kowloon and New Territories to be a Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths,

Dr. Edward Wilfred Kirk to be a member of the Midwives Board for a further term of three years, with effect from January 9;

Miss Kathleen Trickett to be a Nursing Sister, with effect from February 6;

Dr. Li Shu-fan to be a member of the Medical Board for a further term of three years, with effect from February 11;

Mr. William James Lockhart-Smith to act as Land Officer in

addition to his other duties, during the absence of Mr. Thomas Stodart Whyte-Smith or until further notice, with effect from February 18;

Mr. Roland Arthur Charles North to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, with effect from February 22;

Mr. Stuart Seguin Strahan, M.B., B.Ch. (Oxon.), to be a member of the Dental Board for a further period of three years, with effect from January 6;

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To-day's Short Story

## A Pair Of Trousers

By Hardie Matthew

To be without flannel trousers on a holiday is like trying to play football in a silk hat—least so it seems to me. There is something of the holiday spirit woven into their texture. They are a symbol of freedom and relaxation.

So when I discovered, in unpacking my clothes at the hotel that I had left mine at home, I was annoyed.

I came down to the hotel lounge entered into desultory conversation with a stout, middle-aged gentleman sitting there, and before very long found myself telling him of my predicament. He smiled reminiscently.

"I know of a case where the lack of that essential garment was very much more disastrous," he said.

He had a story to tell, and I saw he was determined I should hear it. He leaned back in the easy chair and started off.

A certain Mr. Robotham was at his tailor's ordering a new suit. He had chosen the material—a dark blue dressy cloth, and the head cutter was running a tape round his chest and waist and calling out the measurements

over the wood and glass partition of the fitting room.

Mr. Robotham, though not old—he would be about forty or so—did not possess that slim, elegant figure which tailors delight to portray on their advertisements. His waist measurement, in fact, exceeded that of his chest, always an ominous sign. To fit him well called for some care.

Besides, Mr. Robotham detested ordering new suits. He detested choosing cloth, he never felt certain what he was going to like it, but most of all he detested being measured. At the same time he was rather particular about his appearance. Lots of men are like that!

So it was with special care that the head cutter noted the length of his sleeve, the opening of his vest, and his particular requirements as to pockets.

"Now about the trousers," began Mr. Robotham frowning.

"But at the word trousers the head cutter winced visibly, as at something not quite decent. A pained expression crossed his face, and he backed hastily out of the fitting-room.

"Trousers!" he called loudly outside. Robotham should have known of course, that head cutters definitely ignore the existence of this necessary, but lowly, garment. To have anything to do with it would be grossly undignified and foutant tradition.

The call for "Trousers" was echoed up some distant back staircase like the wail of the banshee. The response to it was not so ethereal. There was a loud clatter and rumble as of a platoon of Guardsmen in full marching order tumbling downstairs. A heavy, determined tread crept nearer, and the fitting-room door was flung open to admit a tall, gaunt young man with unruly sandy hair and cadaverous countenance.

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It has been arranged for the first of the matches to be played on Monday, March 9.

The following is the programme:

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5.30 p.m. Junior Championship semi-final (400 up).

9 p.m. Senior Championship semi-final (750 up).

Tuesday, March 10  
5.30 p.m. Junior Championship semi-final (400 up).

9 p.m. Senior Championship semi-final (750 up).

Wednesday, March 11  
5.30 p.m. Junior Championship Final (500 up).

9 p.m. Play off for third prize in Senior-Championship (750 up).

Thursday, March 12  
6 p.m. Senior Championship final first session (500 up).

9 p.m. Senior Championship final second session (500 up).

It is proposed that the prices of admission for the first three days will be \$1.10 to reserved seats and 55 cents to the unreserved seats. For the Senior-Championship final the prices of admission will be \$2.20 and \$1.10 respectively.

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Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut-Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong, Friday, 21st February, 1936.

### PARADE

Corps 1st Battery

"A" SECTION

Camp will be held at Pak Sha Wan from Friday, 28th February to Sunday, 1st March, 1936.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 5.30 p.m.

Dress - Tunic, Shako, Boots, Greatcoat, Bandolier, Blue Cap and Gas Mask. Overalls and Gun Platform Shoes are required.

### "L" SECTION

"L" Section will parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, 28th February at 5.30 p.m.

All members are invited to match "A" Section's 6 half charge shoot from Pak Sha Wan Battery on Sunday, 1st March. They will report to B.Q.M.S. Moses at 9.30 a.m.

There will be no parade on Friday, 6th March, 1936.

Corps Engineers

Friday, 6th March, 1936 - Camp at Pak Sha Wan.

There will be no parade on Monday, 24th February, 1936.

Corps Signals

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 27th February at 5.30 p.m.

M.G. Troop

No parade for M.G. Troop on Tuesday, 25th February, 1936 (Race week).

Next parade, Tuesday, 2nd March at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 27th February next for maintenance inspection of Cars.

Overalls should be brought.

Motor Machine Gun Section

There will be no parade on Monday, 24th February, 1936.

Lecture on Map Reading - 2nd March, 1936.

As this subject is of vital importance to the Section it is hoped that everyone will attend.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company Parade in uniform as per Company Circular on Friday, 28th All ranks must attend this parade.

Company Supper will take place at 8 p.m. on 28th February 1936.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 27th instant at 5.30 p.m. for Musketry Instruction.

Rifle Part III - All members who have not fired this test this training season must do so on Sunday, 1st March, 1936.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon at 8.40 a.m.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

There will be no parade on Monday, 24th February, 1936.

Entrants from this Company for the "Bell Filling Competition" will compete on Thursday, 27th February at Corps Headquarters, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

Dress - Multi - no equipment.

PARADE

M.G. Bn., Signal Section

Wednesday, 28th February, 1936.

Parade at Corps Headquarters 5.30 p.m. It is hoped that all members of the Section will make an effort to attend this parade, which will take the form of a discussion on the duties of the unit.

Bayonet Fighting - Those interested in this sport should advise Signaller Coates at an early date so that training may be commenced.

Corps Infantry

There will be no parade on Tuesday, 24th February, 1936.

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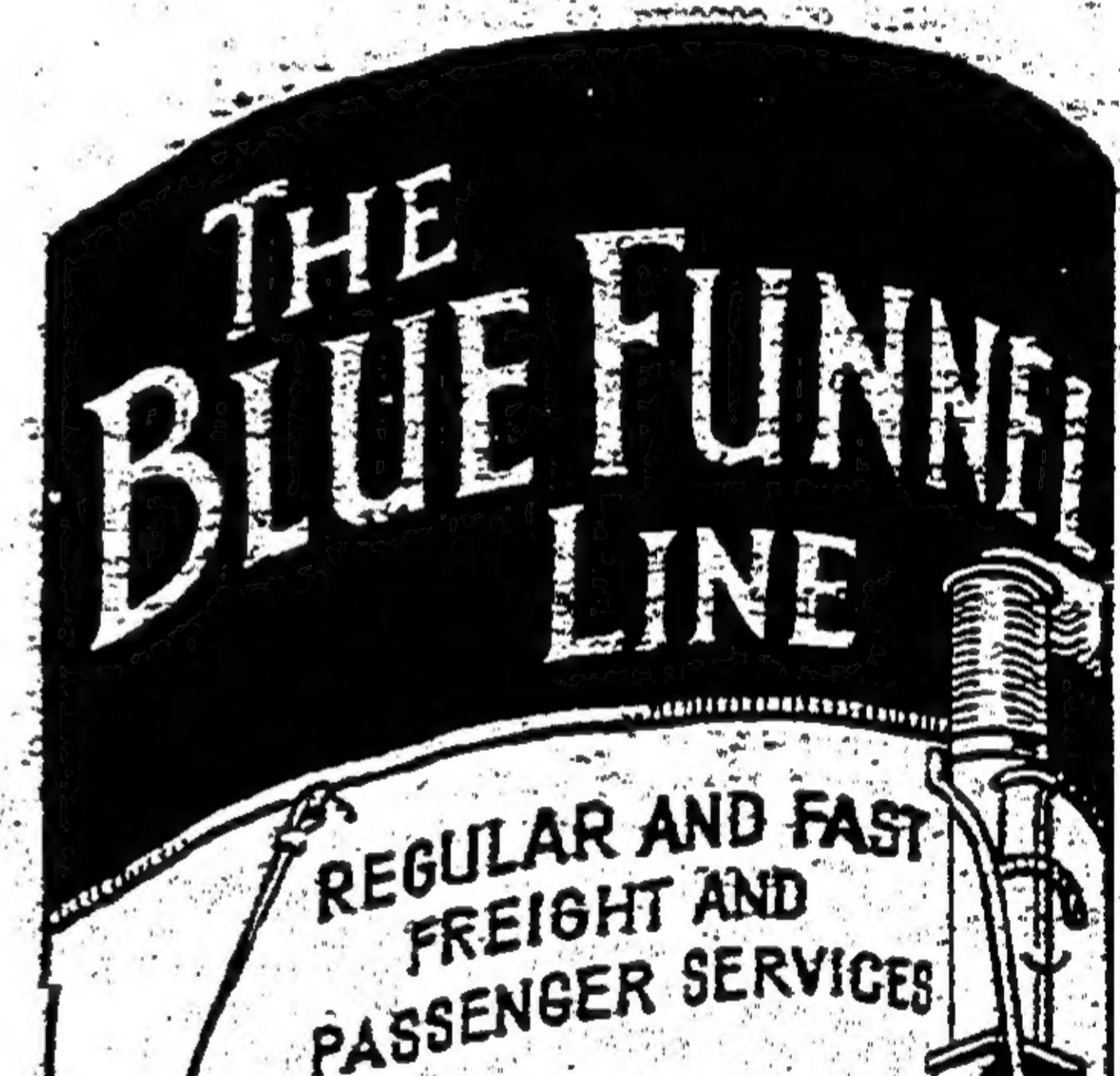
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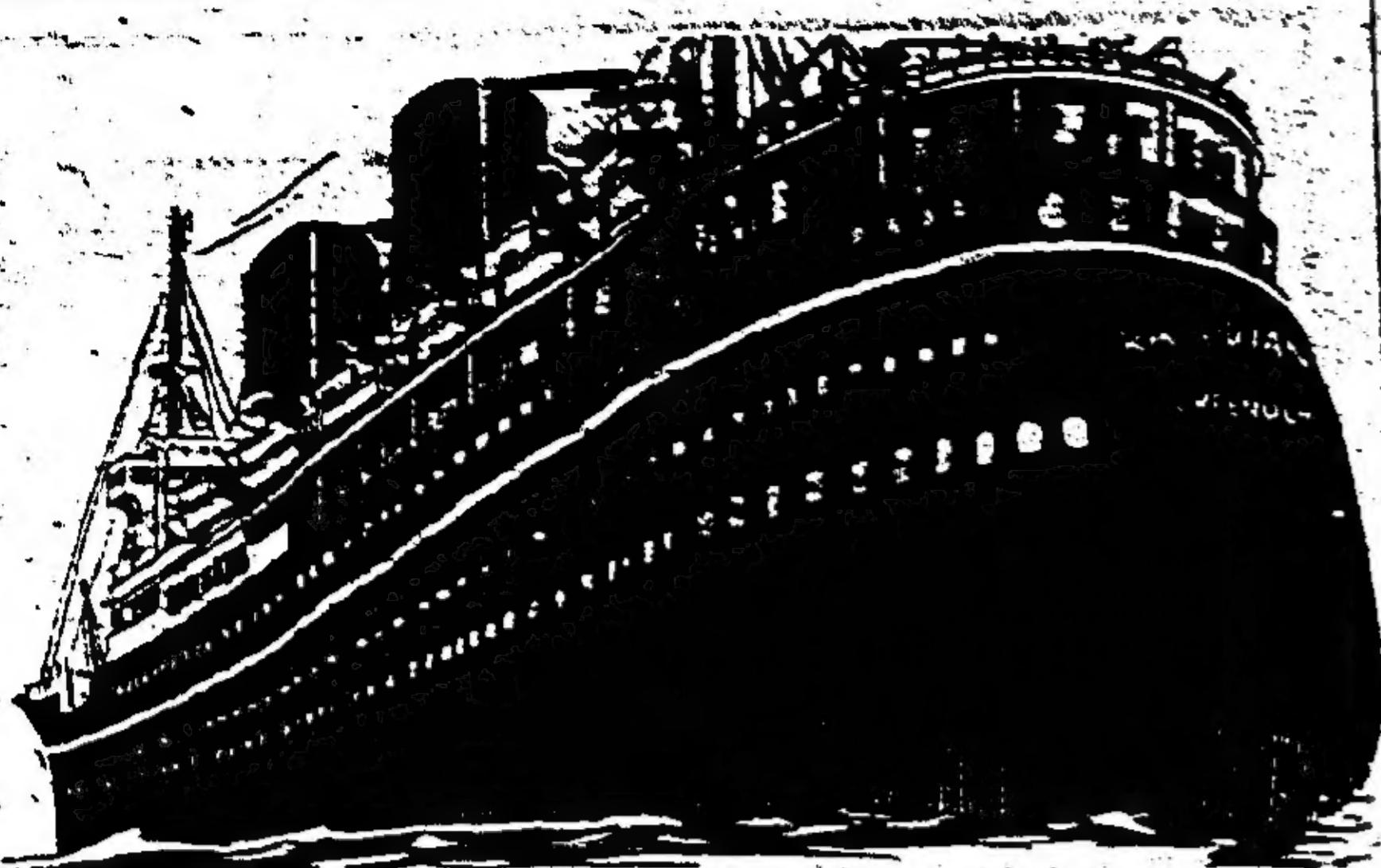
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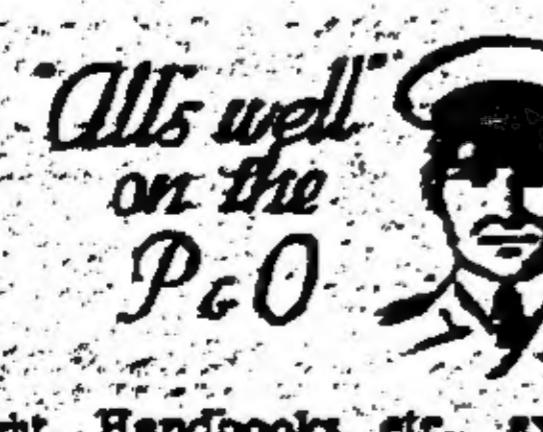
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## A Pair Of Trousers

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Macpherson, of course, should have clattered downstairs in his clumsy way and got the right ones, but the temptation to indulge in a little practice was too great to resist. Indeed, since Macpherson had seen this Robotham and knew his build, it was a heaven-sent opportunity.

He decided he would have half an hour's practice in cutting a coat which would be superior. In his own opinion, to anything that the firm had yet turned out. Besides, this Robotham fellow had chosen a dark blue cloth which would show up the chalk marks to perfection.

Macpherson removed his coat, took a new cake of chalk, and prepared to spend an entrancing half-hour.

Scotsmen, it is generally supposed, are a hard-headed, careful, materialistic people; in fact, rather dour and dogged. The supposition is erroneous! They are dreamers and highly imaginative. Macpherson had visions of eventually becoming a coat cutter himself one day, and to wish for, and dream of, a possibility long enough is, in the end, to make it come true.

So as he worked diligently with square, chalk and tape he was no longer a mere trouser cutter and trimmer, he was a head cutter in one of the best-class tailors' in the country, and recognised, moreover, as a very clever man at his job. Customers came and begged Macpherson to cut their coats. Unless Macpherson gave them his personal attention they simply walked out of the shop. His salary was fabulous.

At the same time, it gave him a sense of deep satisfaction to get the correct run of a shoulder seam to gauge the right amount to be cut away in front so that this Robotham man (whoever he was) would quickly disappear.

Not once but a dozen times did Robotham fold and unfold the numerous sheets of tissue paper in the box, hoping a pair of trousers might by some magic become visible.

Not once but a dozen times, after he realised his hopes were dashed, did he pace from bed to mirror, in his pale blue summer-weight underwear, lifting his hands to heaven and calling strange and fearful curses down upon his tailor's head.

A few privileged guests had the unique experience of seeing a frenzied bridegroom, in pale blue underwear, running along the hotel corridor bawling loudly for a telephone. After considerable delay Mr. Robotham departed on his honeymoon wearing an old suit and an air of extreme nervous tension.

Some people who make a study of the signs and portents on such occasions declared the omen to be a good one.

But it turned out lucky for Robotham. Macpherson could hardly view it in that light. It required very little investigation, after Robotham's frantic telephone message, for the firm to discover the diabolical hand responsible for the outrage.

So that was the last day in that shop, that Macpherson answered to the call of "Trousers."

The stout gentleman leaned back in his chair and chuckled softly to himself at the conclusion of his tale. I asked him how he came to know all the details of the affair so well. Was he a guest at the wedding?

"My name," he replied with another chuckle, "is Robotham."

"Now I understand," I said.

"And it took me some considerable time before I saw the full humour of my predicament. But I can even laugh over it with the original culprit when I order a suit nowadays."

"Then this Macpherson was reinstated after all?" I asked.

"Oh no!" answered the stout gentleman. "You see, after such an experience I changed my tailor."

"At the time I felt justified, I can tell you. But, strange as it may seem, it was I who recommended

this Macpherson to you, present the difference. Out of curiosity I talked. He is now a full blown tailor and inquiries which was best cutter."

"That was very interesting and I am glad to say he is the better of the two," I said.

"Macpherson is the one who is now on 'Trousers' now," I said.

"No, he doesn't," replied the stout gentleman. " Didn't I tell you he doesn't?"

"Yes, he does," I said. "The other fellow who is highly imaginative people? He says a

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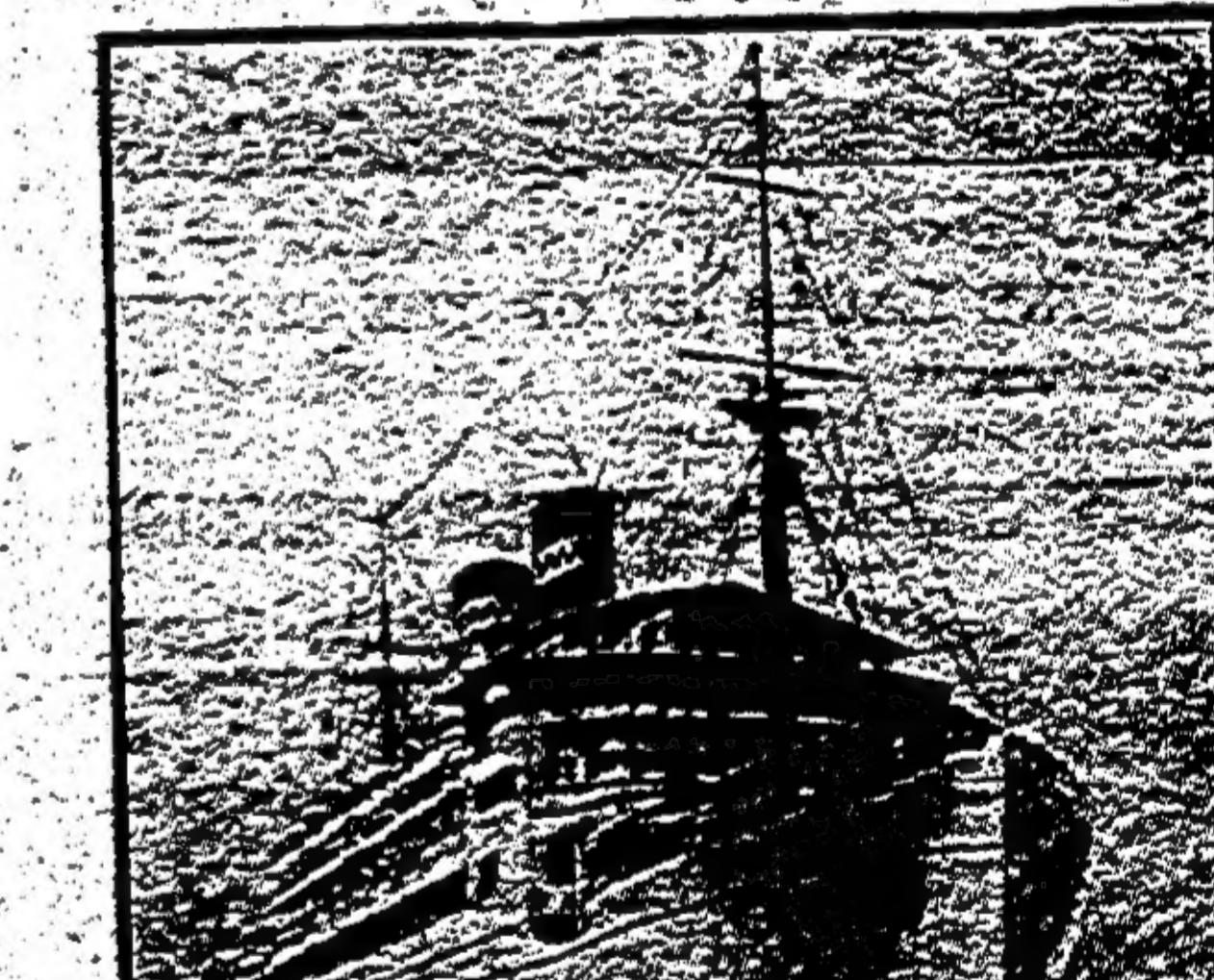
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